

# Regional labour force – Gold Coast SA4, Feb 20

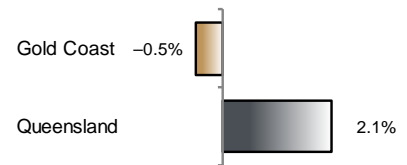
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**Table 1 Labour force status, Gold Coast SA4**

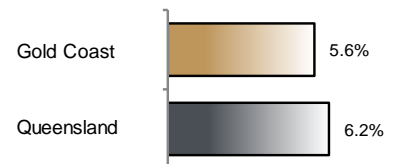
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Feb 19	Jan 20	Feb 20	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	339,500	339,000	337,800	-1,700	-0.5
Total unemployed	15,900	20,400	20,200	4,300	26.7
Total labour force	355,500	359,400	358,000	2,500	0.7
Not in the labour force	154,900	163,500	166,000	11,000	7.1
Total persons 15+	510,400	522,900	524,000	13,600	2.7
Participation rate (%)	69.6	68.7	68.3	..	-1.3 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.5	5.7	5.6	..	1.2 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↓ 0.5%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 5.6%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↑ 1.2 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 68.3%

ppt = percentage point

## Main findings

Note: All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages. This approach is supported by ABS advice on analysis of regional labour force estimates (see Table 16(b) of *Labour Force, Australia, Detailed* (cat. no. 6291.0.55.001)).

- The number of employed persons in Gold Coast SA4 in February 2020 was 337,800 persons, a decrease of 1,700 employed persons, or 0.5% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Gold Coast SA4 in February 2020 was 5.6 per cent, an increase of 1.2 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the seventh-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Gold Coast SA4 in February 2020 was 68.3 per cent, a decrease of 1.3 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

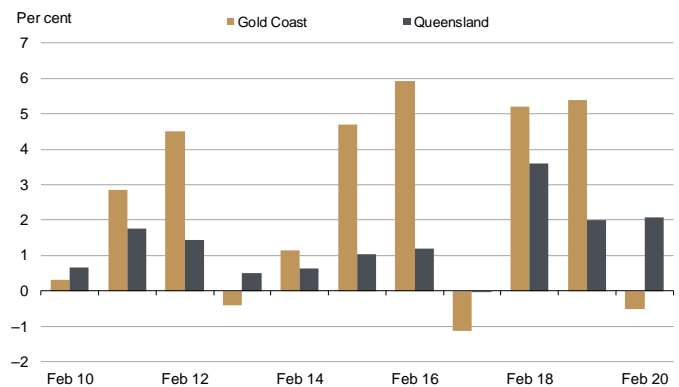
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

Data for Queensland as a whole are provided for reference purposes only.

The labour force statistics presented in this brief are on a sample basis and will include a sampling error.

Totals may differ due to rounding. Figures are rounded to nearest 100 persons. Calculations are based on pre-rounded figures.

**Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Gold Coast SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, February 2020**

